

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF  
LICENSURE OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, June 21, 2007**

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure of Marriage and Family Therapists was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky at 9:30 a.m., on June 21, 2007.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Anthony Watkins, Board Chair  
Ms. Stephanie Head, Vice Chair  
Louis J. Twyman, Treasurer  
Dr. Delbert Hayden  
Dr. Leonard Knight

**OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS**

Claude Wagner, Director  
Carolyn Kyler, Board Administrator

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mike Rankin, KAMFT  
Diane Schuler Fleming, Assistant Attorney General  
Board Counsel

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ms. Melissa Wade  
Ms. Eileen Durbin

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**Call to Order**

Mr. Watkins called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Twyman made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2007 meeting. Dr. Hayden seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Approval of Financial Statement**

Ms. Head made a motion to accept the financial statement. Dr. Hayden seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Director's Report**

Mr. Wagner stated that he found no problems with the investigator contracts that had been submitted by Vern Rickert and John Sohan.

Mr. Wagner discussed his proposal for administrative fee changes had not yet been approved by the Finance and Administration Cabinet for implementation. He also stated that it might be 2008 or 2009 before it would be implemented, contingent on approval at cabinet level.

Dr. Hayden asked Mr. Wagner about the delay in the Governor's office appointment new Board members to replace those whose terms had expired. Mr. Wagner said that the delay wasn't specific to just this Board and that several boards needed to have vacant positions filled, as well as, replace members whose terms had expired.

**New Business**

Ms. Virginia Monti had sent information to the Board with regard to the Mental Services Act that was recently passed in California. The Board agreed to review the information and be prepared to discuss it at the next Board meeting. Ms. Kyler was asked to send the information to Ms. Durbin and Ms. Wade since they were not in attendance.

Ms. Fleming stated that she had recently been contacted by someone regarding the files of a licensee who had recently passed away. The question was what happens to client files when a licensee passes away, retires, or has a serious illness that requires them to take a leave of absence from their practice. It was decided that Ms. Kyler would ask the Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor Board, the Social Work Board, and the Psychology Board to see whether or not they had any guidelines in place to deal with this issue. Mr. Watkins agreed to contact AAMFT and ask for their input. It was agreed that this be put on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

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### **Old Business**

Mr. Watkins distributed copies of the supervision regulations that Ms. Head had been working on since the last Board meeting. Ms. Fleming went over the changes line by line and made final changes. She agreed to have copies of the regulation in its final draft format to present to the Board at the July meeting.

### **Complaints**

A motion was made by Ms. Head at 11:55 a.m. to go into executive session pursuant to KRS 61.810 (1) (c) to discuss matters of potential litigation. Mr. Twyman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

04-040, 04-050, and 04-060 – Ms. Fleming stated that she had been moving forward with negotiating a settlement with this licensee not remembering that their license had been terminated for non-renewal. She also said that she has mistakenly stated that the licensee was to have bi-monthly supervision (meaning every other month) rather than semi-monthly (meaning twice a month) and would correct that error. She will work to resolve these issues and hopefully have this case resolved at the July meeting.

06-008 – Awaiting written KBI investigative report.

07-002 – Dismissed

07-003 – Ongoing

A motion was made by Dr. Knight at 12:10 p.m. to come out of executive session. Ms. Head seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Complaint Committee made a motion that 07-002 be dismissed. Ms. Head seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **APPLICATION REVIEW:**

Mr. Twyman motioned the Board to approve the following applications as submitted:

#### **Associate License Renewals**

The following Associate Permit renewal application(s) were approved: Rebecca Bazzle, Leah K. Brymer, Carolyn Busby, Leigh Aaron Cooper, Marilyn S. Feather, Theresa Johns, and Jennifer A. Schiller.

#### **Associate Permit Review**

The following application(s) for Associate Permit was/were denied: Mandi Kessler.

The following application(s) for Associate Permit was/were approved: Rosemary DeFrancisci, Alice Marie Edwards, Sarah Jackson, Elizabeth S. Price, and Sharon Whitmer.

#### **Audited Renewals**

The following Audited Renewal application(s) were approved: M. Esther Bower, James L. Close II, Sally Ratterman Connolly, George Gregory Elliott, Richard Hamon, Jacklyn S. Harris, Teresa Miller Lloyd, Sally L. Stewart, Leslie Smith Townsend, and John E. Turner.

#### **Supervision Contract Review**

The following Supervision Contract(s) were approved: Megan Smallwood and Leslie S. Turci.

#### **Inactive Status Review**

Inactive Licensure Status was granted for Anne Block and Susan A. Eichenberger.

#### **Licensure Reinstatement Review**

No requests for licensure reinstatement were received.

#### **Therapist License Review**

There were no therapist licenses issued.

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### **Continuing Education**

The following application(s) for Continuing Education programs were approved:

- Cross Country Education – Overindulged Children and Conduct Disorder: Treating Overindulgent Families – 6 hours
- Cross Country Education – Psycho-Educational Programs That Work: Treating Clients with Multiple and Complex Problems – 6 hours
- Cross Country Education – Couples Counseling: Effective Techniques to Create Harmony and Strengthen Relationships – 6 hours
- Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse – Kentucky School of Alcohol and Other Drug Studies – 32 hours
- Jewish Hospital and St. Mary's Health Care – Making Sense of the Process of Therapeutic Change: What Really Works in Treatment of the Substance Dependent Client – 6 hours
- Kentucky Association for Play Therapy – Level 6 – Practicum: Creating Personal Affirmations – 7 hours
- Kentucky Collaborative Family Network – Collaborative Family Law: Introductory Training – 13 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – Pastoral Crisis Intervention I – 13 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – School Centered Crisis Response – 14 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – Pastoral Crisis Intervention II – 13 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – Group Crisis Intervention – 14 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – Strategic Response to Crisis – 14 hours
- Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board – Assisting Individuals in Crisis – 13 hours
- Kentucky Youth First, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse – The Seven Challenges – 13 hours
- MEDS-PDN – Anxiety Disorders in Children and Adolescents: Recognizing and Treating an Emerging Trend – 6 hours
- NorthKey Community Care – Helping People Change: Motivating, Engaging and Attracting Clients into Treatment – 3 hours
- NorthKey Community Care – Integrating Services for Persons with Co-Occurring Substance-Related and Mental Disorders: How to Make it Really Work and Are You Ready? – 3 hours
- PACE Seminars – Recognizing the DSM-IV-TR: Personality Disorders – 6 hours
- Pennyroyal Mental Health Center – Recognizing and Responding to Child Sexual Abuse – 3 hours
- PESI – Practical Psychopharmacology” What Every Mental Health Professional Needs to Know About Psychotropic Medications – 7.5 hours
- PESI – Overcoming Anxiety, Anger and Depression Through the Path of Mindfulness – 7.5 hours
- RiverValley Behavioral Health – When the Magic Years Become the Tragic Years: Assessment and Treatment of Attachment Disorders – 6 hours
- RiverValley Behavioral Health – A Reality Therapy Approach – 3 hours
- RiverValley Behavioral Health – Uses and Side Effects of Psychotropic Medications – 2 hours
- Wheeler, Dr. Paul T. – Domestic Violence for Mental Health Practitioners: The Dynamics of Power and Control – 6.5 hours

The motion to approve applications as submitted was seconded by Ms. Head. The motion carried.

### **Board Administrator Report**

Number of LMFTs in June 2006 – 444

Number of LMFTs in June 2007 – 459

Number of MFT Associates in June 2006 – 103

Number of MFT Associates in June 2007 – 110

Total Number of Complaints filed in 2007 – 4

Both Complaints remain open at this time – 2

### **Scheduled Meetings**

The next Board meeting date is Thursday, 19, 2007. Committee's begin at 8:30 a.m. Board meeting to begin at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, KY.

### **Examination Dates**

Remaining 2007 Exam dates are as follows:

May 21 – June 16, 2007

September 17 – October 13, 2007

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**Additional Business**


Mr. Watkins informed the Board that he would be unable to attend the July 19, 2007 Board meeting and that Ms. Head, Vice-Chair would conduct the meeting in his absence.

**Approval of Travel and Per Diem**

Dr. Hayden made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. Mr. Twyman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Having no further business to be brought before the board, Dr. Hayden moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Twyman seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Watkins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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**APPROVED**

Prepared by Carolyn Kyler on June 27, 2007